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Examiner: Wayne Amsbury

In Re Appln. of: Robert Filepp et al

Serial No.: 08/158,029 Filed: November 26, 1993

Title: METHOD FOR LOCATING APPLICATION RECORDS

IN AN INTERACTIVE-SERVICE DATABASE

REPLY TO NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY AND REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accord with the Notice of Allowability, accompanying the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, dated August 17, 2000 issued in this application, Applicants have enclosed a set of formal drawing. However, the Examiner's request in the Notice of Allowability for inclusion of "changes" to the drawings is inconsistent with and not supported by the file history in this application. Accordingly, Applicants' request clarification of the Examiner's remarks.

More specifically, in the Notice of Allowability, a copy of which is attached, that accompanied the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated August 17, 2000, Examiner Amsbury, in addition to noting allowance of claims 1-15 responsive to the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, indicated:

1. Applicants must submit new formal drawings; and

2. Include changes required by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawings Review, PTO-948 attached to the Notice, or to Paper 6 of the application.

Applicants, as noted, have provided new formal drawings attached hereto. However, no Drawing Review Form PTO-948 was attached to the Notice of Allowability or to Paper No. 6, the Examiner's Final rejection of Applicants' claims 1-15 dated January 1, 1995. Further Applicants' attorney upon reviewing his application file finds that no changes to Applicants' drawings have been required in this application. In fact, the only Drawing Review Form, PTO-948, Applicants received in connection with their application was received in connection with the Examiner's first official action dated April 28, 1994, also attached, and which states that the drawings originally filed 1/26/93 are not objected to.

In view of the above, it would appear that the Examiner's notation in the Notice of Alllowability of need for drawing changes is in error. Accordingly, in view of the apparent error, Applicants request clarification of the Examiner's remarks.

Further, Applicants' attorney telephoned Examiner Amsbury November 15, 2000, seeking clarification of the Examiner's remarks. However, in that telephone conversation, the Examiner noted the Patent and Trademark Office file for the subject application was unavailable to him, and he requested Applicants send a formal request for clarification to the Patent and Trademark Office by facsimile transmission ((703) 308-5403) for review, which Applicants are hereby undertaking.

Further, in an effort to avoid delay and in view of the presumed error of the Examiner's requirements regarding the need for drawing changes, Applicants have, as

noted, included an set of formal drawings herewith. Still further, in addition to forwarding the noted material to Examiner Amsbury by facsimile, Applicants have also forward confirmation copies of the noted materials to the Patent and Trademark Office by mail together with the payment of the application issue fee due.

Dated: November 16, 2000,

Respectfully sulpmitted

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER; ISSUE FEE PAYMENT

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with the above referenced allowed application, I am enclosing herewith the Issue Fee Transmittal Letter (2 copies) with authorization to charge Deposit Account Number 09-0459 in the name of the International Business Machines Corporation the noted issues fee of \$1,210,plus any additional fees that may be necessary, and patent copy advance order fee of \$30 for 10 patent copies.

Additionally, I am also enclosing a set of formal drawings (16 sheets) as required by the August 17, 2000 Notice of Allowability; and a Reply to the Notice of Allowability and Request for Clarification regarding the Examiner's remarks included in the Notice of Allowability (7 pages including attachments).

In the event there are any questions concerning these items, please feel free to contact me by telephone during business hour at (516) 488-2315. Your assistance is appreciated. \land

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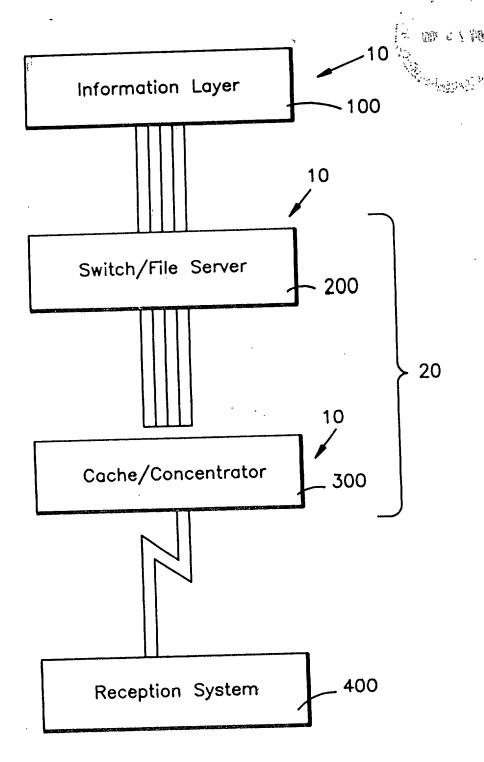
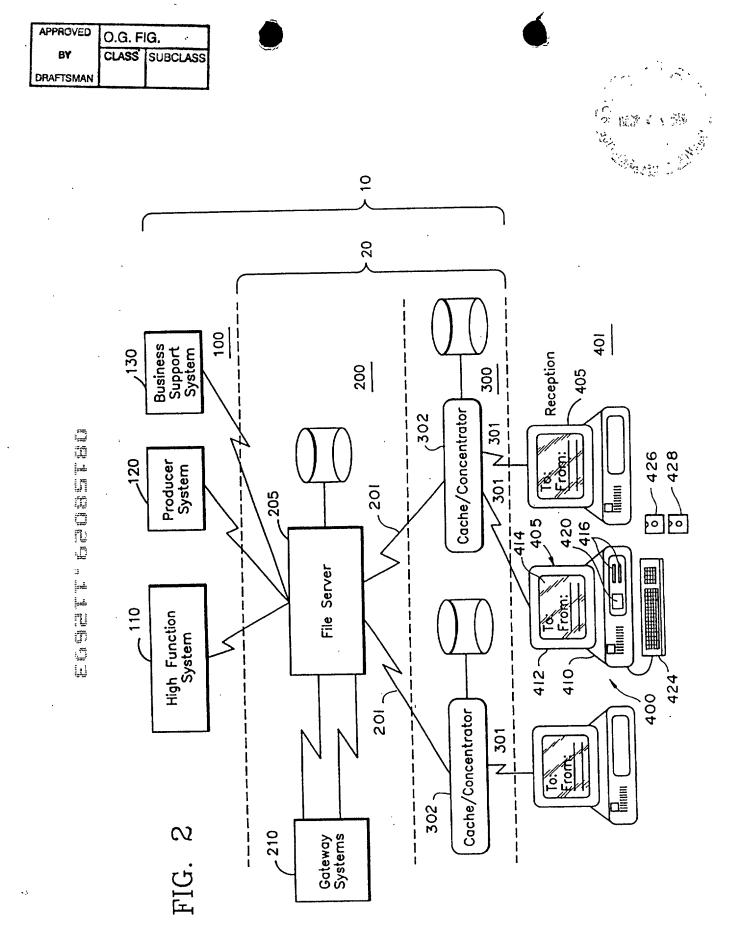


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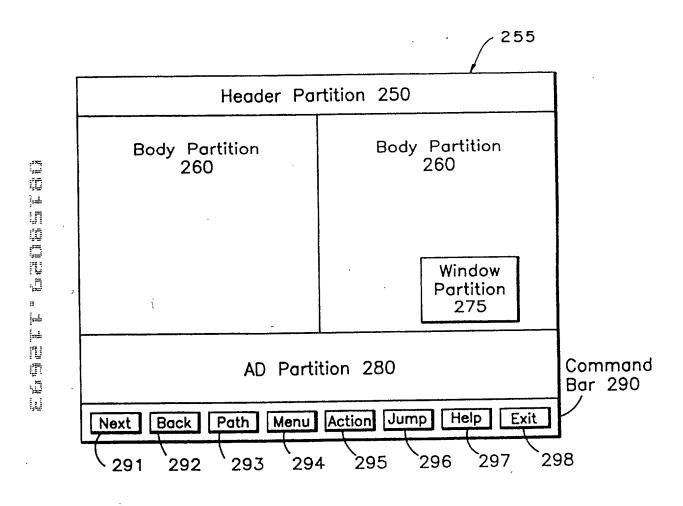


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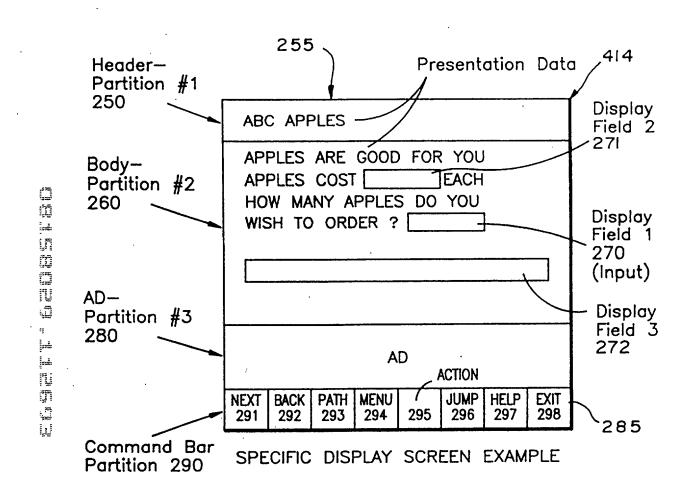


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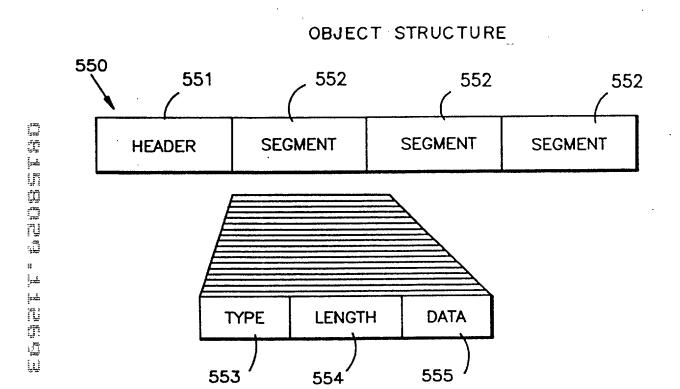


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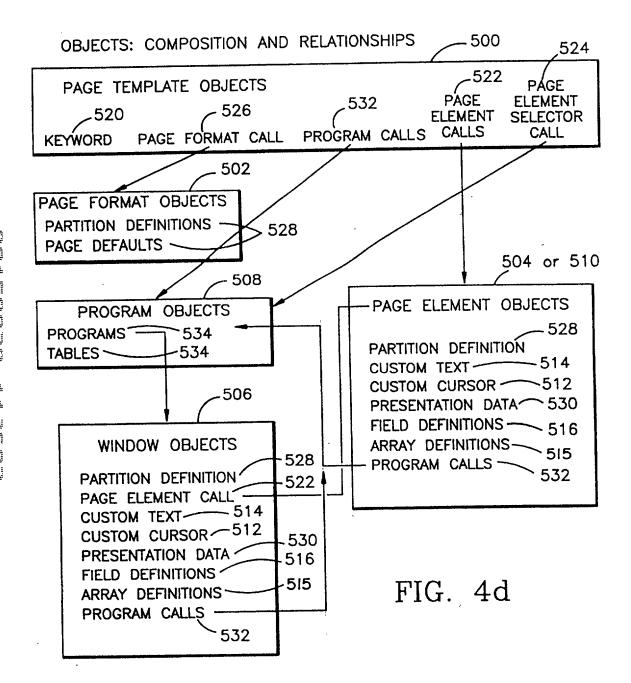
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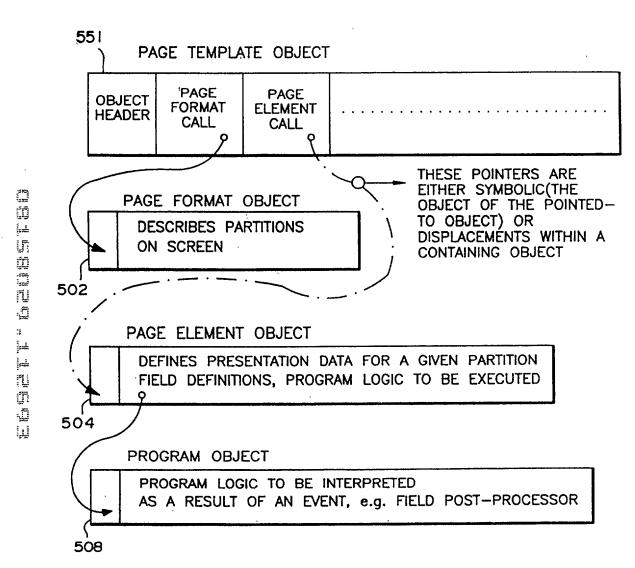
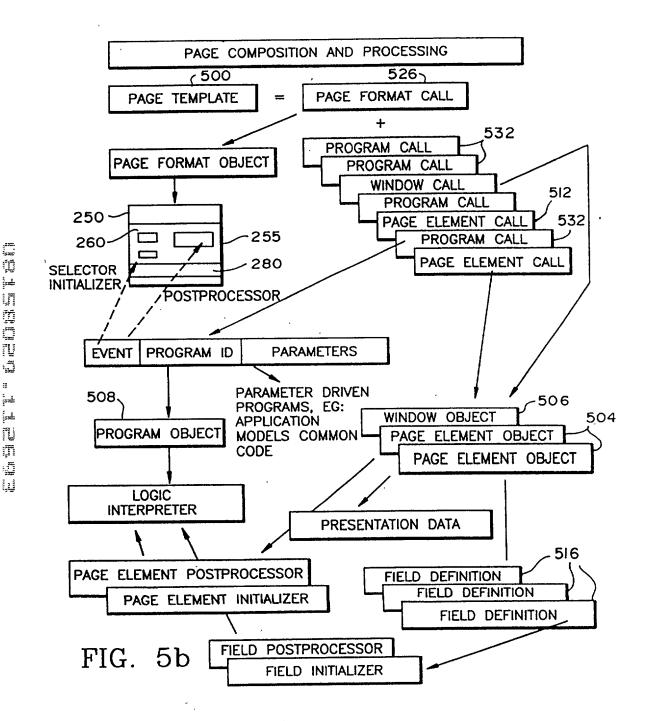


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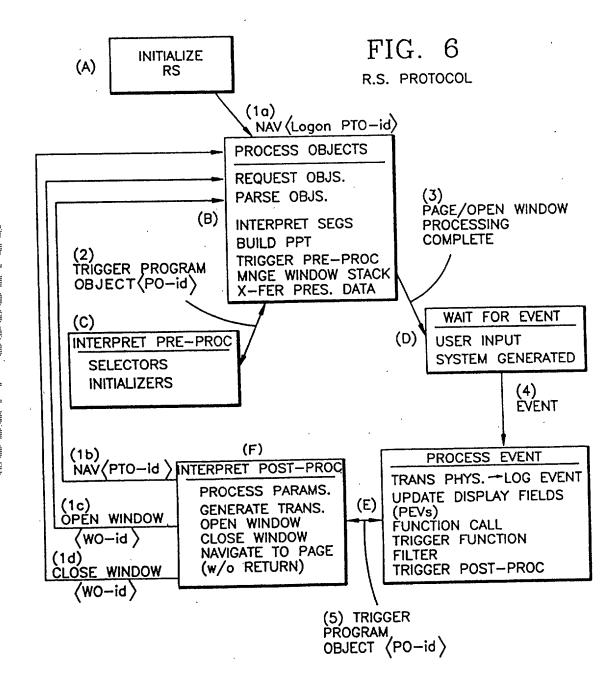
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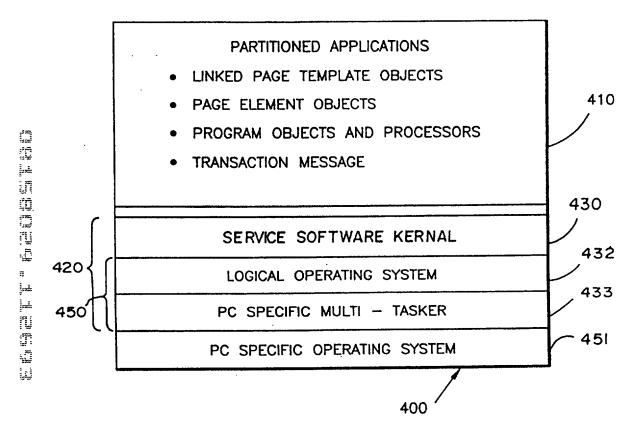
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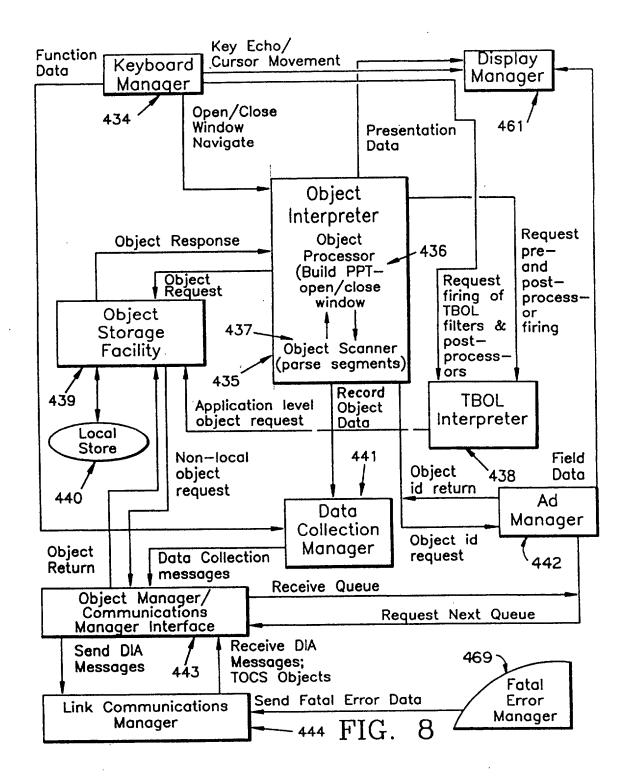
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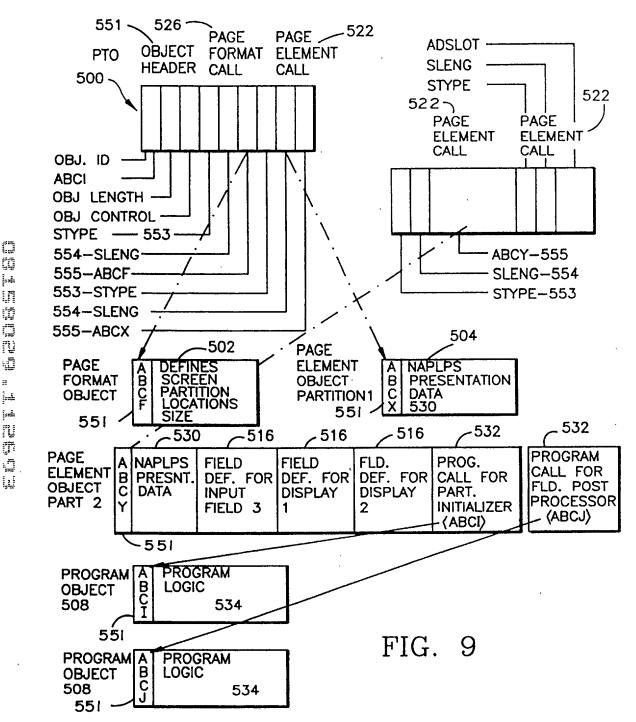
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